

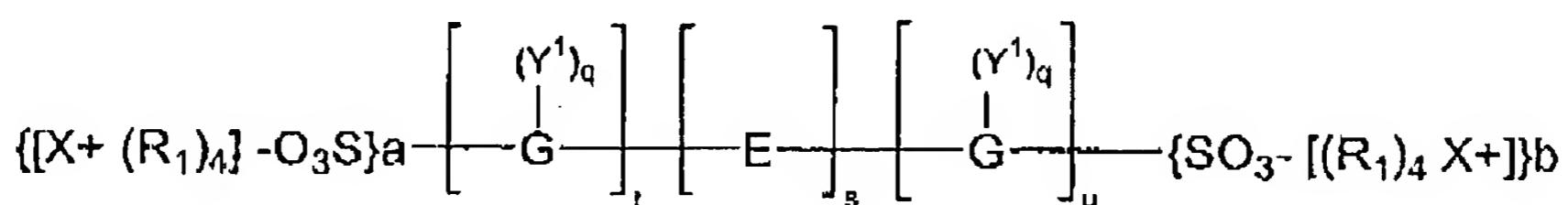
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CLAIMS:

1-6. (WITHDRAWN)

7. (Amended) An antistatic or antidust composition comprising a melt blend of:

an aromatic sulfonate compound and a thermoplastic polymer, wherein the aromatic sulfonate compound is represented by the formula:



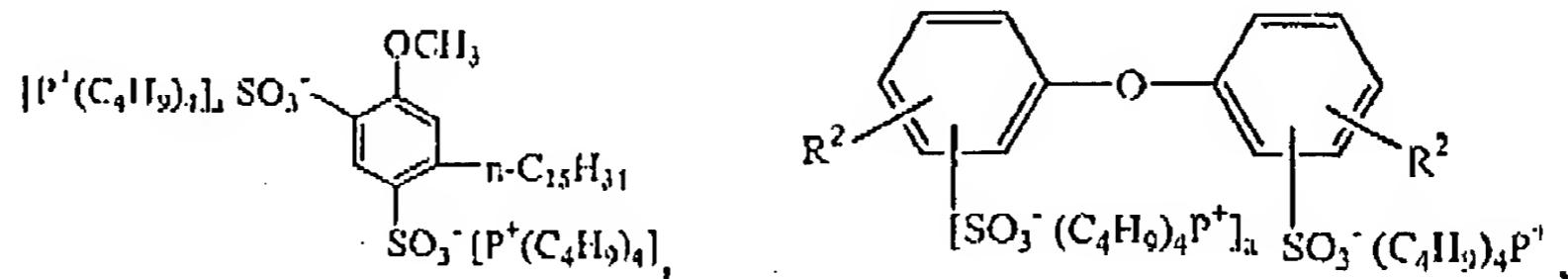
wherein each R^1 independently comprises aliphatic or aromatic, substituted or unsubstituted, carbocyclic or heterocyclic radicals, each X is selected from the group consisting of phosphorus and nitrogen; wherein "a" is 0, 1 or 2, and "b" is 0, 1 or 2 with the proviso that (a + b) is an integer greater than or equal to 1; G¹ is an aromatic group; E comprises a bis(carbonyloxyalkyl) polydiorganosiloxane, a bis(carbonyloxyaryl) polydiorganosiloxane, and an ether linkage; each Y¹ independently comprises hydrogen, a monovalent hydrocarbon group, alkenyl, allyl, halogen, bromine, chlorine; nitro; and OR, wherein R is a monovalent hydrocarbon group; "q" represents any integer from and including zero through the number of positions on G¹ available for substitution; "t" represents an integer equal to at least one; "s" represents an integer equal to either zero or one; and "u" represents any integer including zero; with the proviso that when E is an ether linkage, then X is phosphorus.

8. (Original) The composition of Claim 7, wherein said aromatic sulfonate compound is about 2.5×10^{-3} parts to about 6 parts per 100 parts of the thermoplastic polymer.

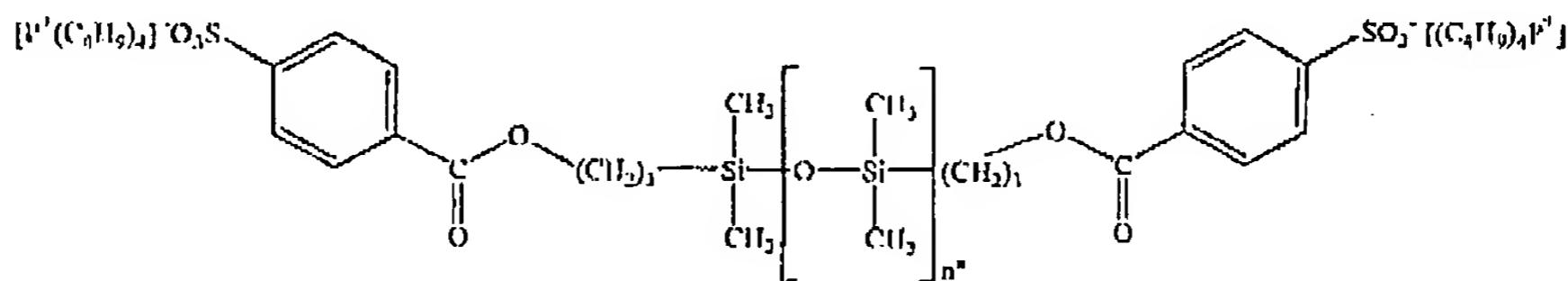
9. (Original) The composition of Claim 7, wherein said thermoplastic polymer comprises a polycarbonate, polyestercarbonate, polyphenylene sulfide, polyetherimide, polyester, polyphenylene ether, polyphenylene ether/styrene polymer blends, polyamide, polyketone, acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene copolymer, styrene-acrylonitrile copolymer, polyolefin, blends thereof, and blends thereof with other materials.

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10. (Original) The composition of Claim 7, wherein the aromatic sulfonate compound is selected from the group of formulas consisting of:



wherein "a" has a value of about zero or one, R² can occupy an ortho or a para position on the aromatic ring, and is independently selected from the group consisting of C₆ to C₂₀ linear and branched alkyl radicals; and



wherein "n" has a value of about 7, and mixtures thereof.

11. (Original) A molded or blown article comprising the composition of Claim 7.

12. (Original) A coating composition comprising the composition of Claim 7.

13. (Original) A film comprising the composition of Claim 7.

14. (Original) A fiber comprising the composition of Claim 7.

15. (Original) A fabric comprising the fiber of Claim 14.

16-47. (WITHDRAWN)